

# Independent Study (ECON 399)

**Last Offered:** 2023 Spring

**Faculty:** Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

**Subject:** Economics(ECON)

**SU Credit:** 3

**ECTS Credit:** 6

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**Detailed Syllabus:** Click [here](http://www.sabanciuniv.edu/syllabus/?crn=22352&term=202302) (<http://www.sabanciuniv.edu/syllabus/?crn=22352&term=202302>) to view.

**Language of Instruction:** English

**Level of Course:** Undergraduate

**Prerequisites (only for SU students) :** --

**Mode of Delivery:** One-to-one tutorial

**Planned Learning Activities:** Project based learning, Guided discovery

**Type of Course:** Click [here](#) to view.

Programs\Type	Required	Core Elective	Area Elective
Economics			*
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## CONTENT

This course allows students to explore an area of academic interest not currently covered in regular course offerings. Under the supervision of a faculty member, students are expected to take responsibility for their own learning, including developing together a reading list and forms of evaluation. Students must receive the approval of a supervisor faculty member prior to enrollment.

## OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this course is to encourage students do undertake a semester long research on a topic not covered in regular course offerings, under the supervision of a faculty member.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

- On completion of the module, students should be able to a) pose an interesting question, b) write an extensive literature survey on the issue, c) form a simple model to explain the phenomenon in question, d) identify possible alternative solutions, e) present their conclusion to a group of faculty members and fellow students who may or may not be familiar with the issue at hand.

## PROGRAMME OUTCOMES

Common Outcomes For All Programs

- Understand the world, their country, their society, as well as themselves and have awareness of ethical problems, social rights, values and responsibility to the self and to others. 5
- Understand different disciplines from natural and social sciences to mathematics and art, and develop interdisciplinary approaches in thinking and practice. 5
- Think critically, follow innovations and developments in science and technology, demonstrate personal and organizational entrepreneurship and engage in life-long learning in various subjects; have the ability to continue to educate him/herself. 5
- Communicate effectively in Turkish and English by oral, written, graphical and technological means. 5
- Take individual and team responsibility, function effectively and respectfully as an individual and a member or a leader of a team; and have the skills to work effectively in multi-disciplinary teams. 5

Common Outcomes For Faculty of Arts & Social Sci.

- Develop knowledge of theories, concepts, and research methods in humanities and social sciences. 5
- Assess how global, national and regional developments affect society. 5
- Know how to access and evaluate data from various sources of information. 5

Economics Program Outcomes (Area Elective Courses)

- Provide constructive analysis of economic phenomena at the national and international level, and interactions between the two. 5
- Develop an understanding of organizations and institutions in the society as well as their influence on the economy. 5
- Recognize how incentives shape the behavior of individuals and organizations. 5

4. Identify "economic" problems and propose alternative models and/or design and conduct research to provide viable solutions using theoretical tools and/or quantitative methods. 5

5. Communicate problems and solutions to managerial and policy decision-making units as well as to lay audiences. 5

## Update Date:

### ASSESSMENT METHODS and CRITERIA

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	Percentage (%)
Written Report	70
Presentation	30

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### RECOMENDED or REQUIRED READINGS

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Optional Readings                      Due to specific nature of the course, reading lists are compiled by students based on the issue they are investigating.